

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE PIPELINE COORDINATOR'S OFFICE

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**Renewal of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System Right-of-Way Lease
And Associated Ancillary Facilities**

On May 2, 2001, the owners of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System filed an application under the provisions of AS 38.35 (Right-of-Way Leasing Act) and AS 38.05 (Alaska Land Act), with the Commissioner of Natural Resources and the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office, 411 West 4th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2343 for renewal of the Right-of-Way Lease over State lands for the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System and ancillary facilities.

APPLICANTS

The owners of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System have filed an application for renewal of the Right-of-Way Lease for the pipeline and renewal of various leases and permits for ancillary facilities. The owners are:

Amerada Hess Pipeline Corporation
BP Pipelines (Alaska) Inc.
ExxonMobile Pipeline Company
Unocal Pipeline Company
Williams Alaska Pipeline Company, LLC
Phillips Transportation Alaska, Inc.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LANDS INVOLVED

The following is a general description of State lands over which a Right-of-Way for the renewal of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline is requested.

The route of the pipeline runs south from Sections 32 and 33, Township 11 North, Range 14 East, Umiat Meridian and Sections 4 and 5, Township 10 North, Range 14 East, Umiat Meridian, near Prudhoe Bay on the North Slope to its termination point within Sections 18 and 19, Township 9 South, Range 6 West, Copper River Meridian, and Sections 13 and 24, Township 9 South, Range 7 West, Copper River Meridian at the Valdez Marine Terminal.

On a line mile basis, and based upon a land status determination as of June 1, 1997, the pipeline traverses the following State of Alaska patented, tentatively approved or selected land:

| <u>Mile Post</u> | <u>General Description</u> |
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| 0.54 to 63.74 | From South boundary Pump Station 1 to the North boundary of the Sag Public Airstrip Lease |
| 66.22 to 117.09 | From the South Boundary of the Sag Public Airstrip Lease to the intersection with North township line T9S, R13E, U.M. |
| 232.26 to 237.64 | Intersection North line Section 23, T29N, R12W, F.M. to intersection East boundary Discovery Mouth Slate Creek Mining Claim |
| 237.79 to 240.05 | Intersection South boundary Discovery Mouth Slate Creek Mining Claim to intersection of North line Section 29, T28N, R12W, F.M. |
| 353.09 to 353.45 | Top bank, North bank of the Yukon River to the top bank, South bank of the Yukon River |
| 354.0 to 441.75 | South boundary of native allotment to intersection North boundary Moose Mining Claim |
| 442.03 | Intersection East boundary Paystreak Mining Claim to intersection West boundary Wolf Mining Claim |
| 442.13 to 442.20 | Intersection North boundary Wolf Mining Claim to intersection West boundary Grouse Mining claim |
| 442.34 to 444.88 | Intersection East boundary Grouse Mining Claim to intersection South right-of-way Murphy Dome Road |
| 444.95 to 445.31 | Intersection East line, NE1/4, Section 23, T2N, R1W, F.M. to intersection West line E1/2NW1/4 Section 24, T2N, R1W, F.M. |
| 445.51 to 445.77 | Intersection South line, E1/2NW1/4, Section 24, T2N, R1W, F.M. to intersection South line NE1/4SW1/4, Section 24, T2N, R1W, F.M. |

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| 447.06 to 448.24 | Intersection South line, Section 25, T2N, R1W, F.M. to intersection North line USMS 1731 |
| 448.42 to 448.48 | Intersection North right-of-way Goldstream Road to intersection South line right-of-way Goldstream Road |
| 449.44 to 449.57 | Intersection North right-of-way New Steese Highway to intersection South right-of-way New Steese Highway |
| 452.86 to 452.89 | Intersection North right-of-way Gilmore Trail Road to intersection South right-of-way Gilmore Trail Road |
| 454.64 to 454.66 | Intersection North right-of-way Steele Creek Road to intersection South right-of-way Steele Creek Road |
| 455.32 to 455.38 | Intersection North right-of-way Chena Hot Springs Road to intersection South right-of-way Chena Hot Spring Road |
| 456.19 to 456.38 | Intersection North line, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 26, T1N, R1E, F.M. to intersection East line, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 26, T1N, R1E, F.M. |
| 457.55 to 457.87 | Intersection East line, Section 35, T1N, R1E, F.M. to intersection North line, Section 1, T1S, R1E, F.M. |
| 458.61 to 458.84 | Intersection South line, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 1, T1S, R1E, F.M. to intersection East line SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec 1, T1S, R1E, F.M. |
| 459.70 to 459.77 | Top of bank, North bank Chena River to top of bank, South bank of Chena River |
| 460.24 to 460.26 | Intersection West right-of-way Nordale Road to intersection East right-of-way Nordale Road |
| 461.54 to 462.88 | Intersection West line, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 16, T1S, R2E, F.M. to intersection West line, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 22, T1S, R2E, F.M. |

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| 466.29 to 466.32 | Intersection North right-of-way Plack Road to intersection East right-of-way Parham McCormick Road |
| 469.45 to 469.47 | Intersection West right-of-way Nelson Road to intersection East right-of-way Nelson Road |
| 473.13 to 473.62 | Intersection West line, E1/2SW1/4SW1/4SE1/4, Section 21, T2S, R3E, F.M. end Chena River Lakes Project to intersection South line N1/2NE1/4, Section 28, T2S, R3E, F.M. |
| 485.06 to 488.86 | Intersection North line, S1/2SW1/4 Section 2, T4S, R4E, F.M. end Eielson Airforce Base to intersection North line USS 4336, Lot 2 |
| 488.86 to 489.17 | Intersection East line USS 4336 Lot 2 to intersection South right-of-way Johnson Road |
| 489.36 to 517.69 | Intersection South Boundary Pump Station 8 to intersection North line, E1/2 SE1/4 SE1/4, Section 15, T7S, R8E, F.M. |
| 517.99 to 519.66 | Intersection North line NW1/4, Section 23, T7S, R8E, F.M. to intersection North line SE ¼, Section 26, T7S, R8E, F.M. |
| 519.95 to 529.59 | Intersection West line SW1/4, Section 25, T7S, R8E, F.M. to intersection South line NE ¼, Section 36, T8S, R9E, F.M. |
| 529.94 to 531.01 | Intersection West line, E1/2 SE1/4, Section 36, T8S, R9E, F.M. to intersection West line Lot 79, Section 6, T9S, R10E, F.M. |
| 531.16 to 531.32 | Top of bank, North bank of Tanana River to Top of bank, South bank of Tanana River |
| 531.64 to 531.66 | Intersection North right-of-way Old Richardson Highway to intersection South right-of-way Old Richardson Highway |
| 533.34 to 535.08 | Intersection West line, NE1/4, Section 16, T9S, R10E, F.M. to intersection South line, NE1/4SW1/4, Section 22, T9S, R10E, F.M. |

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| 535.31 to 535.36 | Intersection West line SE1/4, Section 22, T9S, R10E, F.M. to intersection South line, SE1/4, Section 22, T9S, R10E, F.M. |
| 535.99 to 536.17 | Intersection West line, NE1/4SE1/4, Section 27, T9S, R10E, F.M. to intersection South line, NE1/4SE1/4, Section 27, T9S, R10E, F.M. |
| 536.62 to 538.04 | Intersection West line, NW1/4, Section 35, T9S, R10E, F.M. to intersection North line, NE1/4SW1/4, Section 2, T10S, R10E, F.M. |
| 538.56 to 538.60 | Intersection North right-of-way Jack Warren Road to intersection South right-of-way Jack Warren Road |
| 539.38 to 540.85 | Intersection North line, S1/2SE1/4, Section 11, T10S, R10E, F.M. to intersection South line, NW1/4, Section 24, T10S, R10E, F.M. |
| 541.32 to 541.41 | Intersection North right-of-way Alaska Highway to intersection boundary between USS 3292 and USS 3293 A & B |
| 541.57 to 541.86 | Intersection South boundary USS 3293 A & B to intersection North boundary Ft. Greeley Military Reservation |
| 552.24 to 552.31 | Intersection North right-of-way Richardson Highway to intersection South right-of-way Richardson Highway |
| 561.20 to 562.55 | Intersection South boundary Ft. Greeley military reservation to intersection south right-of-way Richardson Highway |
| 568.17 to 569.28 | Intersection East line Section 31, T14S, R10E, F.M. to intersection North line SE ¼, Section 6, T15S, R10E, F.M. |
| 570.62 to 570.71 | Intersection North right-of-way Richardson Highway to intersection South right-of-way Richardson Highway |

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| 573.81 to 573.88 | Intersection North right-of-way Richardson Highway to intersection South right-of-way Richardson Highway |
| 578.46 to 579.38 | Intersection North boundary, USS 4386 to intersection South boundary, USS 4386 |
| 579.46 to 579.57 | Intersection right-of-way Richardson Highway |
| 600.88 to 616.84 | Intersection West line NW1/4, Section 33, T19S, R11E, F.M. to intersection North line, Section 4, T22S, R12E, F.M. |
| 628.37 to 630.43 | Intersection North line, Section 29, T13N, R1W, C.R.M. to intersection South line, Section 32, T13N, R1W, C.R.M. |
| 640.72 to 641.73 | Intersection North boundary line USS 4389 to intersection South boundary line USS 4389 |
| 646.98 to 647.12 | Intersection North right-of-way Richardson Highway to intersection South right-of-way Richardson Highway |
| 654.36 to 654.40 | Intersection left bank of Gulkana River to intersection right bank of Gulkana River |
| 683.55 to 684.05 | Intersection South line SE1/4 Section 13, T4N, R2W, C.R.M. to intersection North line SE1/4, Section 24, T4N, R2W, C.R.M. |
| 684.46 to 684.52 | Intersection right-of-way Glenn Highway to intersection right-of-way Glenn Highway |
| 686.76 to 693.80 | North bank of Tazlina River to intersection North line NW1/4, Section 3, T2N, R1W, C.R.M. |
| 697.29 to 697.40 | North bank Klutina River to intersection North boundary Lot 37, Section 13, T2N, R1W, C.R.M. |
| 701.45 to 701.51 | Intersection South line, NW ¼, Section 6, T1N, R1E, C.R.M. to intersection West line, SE ¼, Section 6, T1N, R1E, C.R.M. |

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| 702.01 to 704.10 | Intersection South line SE ¼, Section 6, T1N, R1E, C.R.M. to intersection West line SE1/4, Section 17, T1N, R1E, C.R.M. |
| 704.18 to 707.42 | Intersection North line NE1/4, Section 20, T1N, R1E, C.R.M. to intersection North line, NE1/4, Section 4, T1S, R1E, C.R.M. |
| 723.99 to 724.01 | North bank Tonsina River to South bank Tonsina River |
| 733.27 to 733.35 | Intersection right-of-way line Richardson Highway |
| 736.36 to 736.43 | Intersection right-of-way Richardson Highway |
| 748.96 to 749.03 | Intersection right-of-way Richardson Highway (Old) |
| 753.63 to 753.67 | Intersection line between corner 4/5 USS 5687, centerline Richardson Highway to intersection South right-of-way Richardson Highway |
| 763.17 to 765.28 | Intersection East line, Section 1, T8S, R2W, C.R.M. to private property |
| 765.29 to 795.03 | Intersection right-of-way line Richardson Highway crossing to right-of-way overlap right, USS 213 |
| 795.09 to 795.36 | End right-of-way overlap, USS 213 to intersection SE boundary, USS 212 |
| 796.08 to 796.12 | Begin guide bank left to end guide bank |
| 796.23 to 797.31 | Intersection SW boundary, USS 632 to intersection East boundary, USS 633 |
| 797.57 to 799.49 | Intersection South boundary USS 633 to intersection East boundary USS 3328, Valdez Marine Terminal |

The specific parcel descriptions by township and section are available upon request from the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office.

In addition, the pipeline crosses various rivers which may or may not be within the definition of “navigable” in relation to State ownership of beds of navigable streams. The owners have applied for renewal of the pipeline Right-of-Way Lease under the provision of AS 38.35 which include the beds of all streams and rivers crossed by the pipeline that are owned, claimed or hereafter acquired by the State of Alaska.

SUMMARY OF THE APPLICATION

The application from the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System owners requests renewal of the Right-of-Way Lease for the pipeline and leases or permits for ancillary facilities not covered in the pipeline lease, such as access roads, airstrips and communications sites. The pipeline is authorized under AS 38.35 while ancillary facilities are authorized under AS 38.05. The TAPS Owners are seeking a renewal for the maximum term allowed by law, 30 years.

The Trans-Alaska Pipeline System transports about 20 percent of crude oil produced in the United States from the North Slope of Alaska to the Valdez Marine Terminal where it is loaded onto tankers for shipment to US markets. The Trans-Alaska Pipeline System is an 800-mile, 48-inch diameter crude oil pipeline that is elevated above ground for 420 miles and is buried for the other 380 miles. Eleven pump stations were originally built to move oil through the pipeline. Four of these stations are now on standby. The Valdez Marine Terminal has storage facilities for over 9 million barrels of oil. Loading berths at the terminal can accommodate 4 tankers at once. The right-of-way for the pipeline on State land is 100 feet wide.

Each owner of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System has submitted an application comprised of three volumes. In Volume 1 (submitted separately), each owner describes its commercial operation and summarizes its compliance with applicable laws and regulations. This volume also contains a copy of the owner’s federal right-of-way renewal application. Volume 2 (submitted jointly by the TAPS Owners) contains the legal property descriptions to all the parcels of land for which renewal is sought. Volume 2 also contains a TAPS Owners report regarding the expected duration of TAPS. Volume 3, also submitted jointly, is a draft environmental report regarding TAPS operations, primarily submitted as part of the federal National Environmental Policy Act process. In total, the application is comprised of eight volumes of material.

COPIES OF THE APPLICATION AND PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF OTHER REFERENCE MATERIALS

Paper copies of the application may be obtained at cost by the public (copies on compact disc are free) at the following locations:

State Pipeline Coordinator's Office
411 West 4th Avenue
Anchorage, AK 99501-2343

Public Information Center - Anchorage
550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1260
Anchorage, AK 99501-3557

Public Information Center – Fairbanks
3700 Airport Way
Fairbanks, AK 99709-4699

Copies of the application is available at the following libraries:

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LOUSSAC PUBLIC LIBRARY
DELTA COMMUNITY LIBRARY
COPPER VALLEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY
VALDEZ CONSORTIUM LIBRARY

The application is also available on the Joint Pipeline Office TAPS Renewal web site at www.tapsrenewal.jpo.doi.gov along with decisions, reports, and updates as they are made available. Public participation announcements will also be posted on this web site.

For more information, contact the State Renewal Coordinator, Deborah Tennyson by telephone at (907) 271-4372, by email at dtennyso@jpo.doi.gov, or by mail at State Pipeline Coordinator's Office, TAPS Renewal Team, 411 W. 4th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501-2343.

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State Pipeline Coordinator

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